

What do you think art is? Is it something made to be pretty? Is it something for people to appreciate? Or is it just a waste of time?

I admit. Art is really pretty. They can be made to look or sound pretty for people to appreciate and it can also be a waste of time. However, to me, art signifies beauty beyond the visuals or audios – the beauty of the artist.

I do art like everybody else. I am not the best artist in the world. There is still a lot to learn but the art pieces I created speaks of how I felt the moment my pencil laid the first marking on the white paper. Through the many different kinds of drawings I made, there lie the deep emotions which started my impulse to draw. As the result, each and every drawing I made tells a story unique to its own.

Other than visual arts, I make audio ones as well. I am musically inclined. Yes, I do play the piano and I also play a Chinese instrument called Yang Qin. However, no matter which instrument, they serve as a tool for me to express my inner feelings through the beautiful sounds. Each and every intonation means a different thing.

Visual or audio, both are hard to interpret and not many people know how to appreciate. However, as an artist myself I think it does not matter if my art pieces are appreciated. What is important is the meaning behind it. A stroke of the pencil could tell a lot about the artist. A sound from an instrument could show a lot about the artist. Regardless of picture or music, art is a form of self expression. It is also a portal to communicate with the heart. It allows for emotions to flow easily and for the audience to feel and understand. This led me to think that I can express myself through art and this, I believe, is self expression through art.